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CHATEAU-THIERRY FIRST GREAT TEST OF YANK AND BOCHE

Americans Sent to Meet Foe at Apex of Thrust for Paris

2ND AND 3RD IN BIG FIGHT

Villages of Belleau, Bouresches and Vaux Write Themselves in Our History

From a strength reckoned by the Allies at about 80,000 men on the front be-tween Concy-le-Chateau and Reims on the evening of May 26, 1918, to a strength which they soon knew to be at least 145,000 men on the same front the following morning and over 200,000 on the 28th-such was the surprise effect of

following morning and over 200,000 on the 28th—such was the surprise effect of superior numbers quickly coacentrated which the Germans, owing to their possession of the initiative, were able to inflict upon their opponents in the third of their great offensives of the spring and summer of 1918.

By the break in the Allied line which they thus accomplished, particularly along the famous ridge of the Chemin des Dames, the VIIth German Army, under General von Boehn, operating to tward Solssons and to the east and west-of-tt, and the 1st Army, under General F. von. Below, advancing to the east-of-tt, and the 1st Army, under General F. von. Below, advancing to the east-of-tt, and the 1st Army with the left wing of its attack near Reins, were able, to pour swiftly southward, forcing back before them the weary and outnumbered French and British divisions, most of which had been sent to this "quiet sector" to recuperate after their desperate fightling in the battles of April and May in Picardy and Flanders.

For a few days following the 27th, the situation looked dark enough from the Allied standpoint. The German idial wave, constaintly reinforced by fresh divisions, continued, in spite of stubborn resistance to move southward toward the Marne, overrunning Soissons and Fere-en-Tardenois, leaving the course of the fair Picheland etaled lay more difficult to hold, and that, by fremendous pressure, beginning to spread distinctly toward Paris slong the comparatively open and level country between the Marne and the Ource rivers.

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the last day of May the advance Germans at the nearest point was by 75 kilometers from the French I and although the speed of their had been considera' slackened by esistance of the French divisions in in against them, they still posamital and although the speed of their ush had been considera? slackened by the resistance of the French divisions hrown in against them. they still possessed all the advantages of the initiative and could elect their own points for irving their line ahead anywhere on the 40 kilometers of front between the identity of Soissons and that of Chafteau-Chierry, which constituted the western acce of the salient they had created. Although the French army and people, with the gullantity and moral herosm which have characterized them in very previous crisis of their national nistory, refused to become panie-stricken this third great success of their archonemy within a period of ten weeks, the continuous account of the strict of the success.

Allied Commander-in-Chief, Mar ne Allied Commander-in-Chlef, Mar-Foch, was obliged to keep in hand cient reserves to meet any blow the the Germans might direct at any repoint on the long Western battle t; at the same time he must utilize gpt of his available strength to haif formidable attack actually under. That his forces were inadequate such a crisis only adds to the bril-cy of the success with which he if.

"All That We Have Is Yours"

Relying once more upon General Per ing's devoted declaration, made on be if of America during the days of the rman offensive in March, that "al the Marne near Châtean-Thierry and to the great Paris-Metz national highway where it-crosses the rolling hills mortiwest of that city, there to throw themselves across the apex of the German invasion and bar the road to Paris. The 2nd Division, Maj. Gen. Omar Bundy commanding, was in rest billets at Chaumont-en-Vexin, northwest of Paris, and had just finished its observances of Memorial Day, May 30, when the order came for it to entrain as soon as possible and move immediately to the vicinity of Château-Thierry. During the ensuing 24 hours the troops were making the tiresome journey, and by the early morning of June 1, most of them had detrained and advanced beyond Montrenil-aux-Lions, where division head quarters was established, a hamlet some lo kilometers west of Château-Thierry, on the Paris-Metz road.

As they went forward, the news became steadily more disquieting. French troops were fighting a few kilometers to establish defensive positions at once. By dark that evening that work had been, at least, begun. The 9th Infantry was in line from Bonneil, near the Marne southwest of Château-Thierry, to Lucy-le-Bocage and the 23rd Infantry, operating temporarily under the '43rd Continued on Page 6

Into the Garrison

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COBLENCE ENTERED; MEN OF THIRD ARMY **NOW ALONG RHINE**

Americans March Into Ancient Citadel "Sort of Casual Like".

GOAL REACHED BY TRAIN

anks Attract No More Attention Than if They Were Passing > Through Blois

On the afternoon of December 8, 1918, the troops of the Third American Army entered Coblence. This was the goal of

Coblence, the city which the Roman built there where the waters of the Rhine and the Moselle flow together, is

The West-station in Trier was abustle with activity shortly after dawn, the heavy packed doughboys filing along the tracks to the considerable curiosity of the local American garrison.

"What outfit, buddy?" the men of the Sixth Infantry called out.

"The best battailon in the American Army," was the answer, given with conviction.

The Old Fourth Division

To be more precise, it was the second —Major Fred W. Hackett's—battallon of the 39th Infantry, which was in the 4th Division and is therefore honorably scarred from the bitter fighting, below and above Montfaucon.

The German troop train, from the windows of which the doughboys were which in the American fushion.

Into the Garrison

Probably never in all its stressful his troubly never in an its stressful his dier will try did enemy troops enter it in quite the matter-of-fact manner which marked the American entry last Sunday. There was no band. There were no colors. "We're just going in sort of casual like," one of our generals had said the day before, and he was right. The Third American Army cased its way jinto the Rhine citadel. There is no other word for it.



"It is now our duty to make good what they offered their lives, their blood to obtain."

SERVICES PLAN TO AID RETURNED MEN IN SECURING JOBS Yanks May Take Trip to

Y.M., K. of C. and Red **Cross Set Machinery** in Motion

SPECIAL AID FOR DISABLED

Cooperation of Every Chamber o Commerce in United States Is Promised

bout whether or not there will be a open for him when he returns hom over the United States to line up jobs for the returning Yank, and the co-operation of every chamber of com-merce in the United States has been

membership privilege in any X.M.C.A. throughout the country for three months at no cost to himself. If he loses the eard, his uniform will answer just as well. At any rate, he is to consider himself free to consult any X.M.C.A. secretary at any time—either here or in the States—on the chances of his louding a job, and the secretary the here or in the States—on the chances of his landing a job, and the secretary will make it possible for him to make full use of all the association's means to that end. The Y has also opened special registries for technically qualified men, and has inserted advertisements in the papers of the United States asking for co-operation of employers.

K. of C. Employment Plan

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The same general plan has been
adopted by the Knights of Columbus,
which organization, on the declaration
of the armistice, turned every one of its
councils into an informal employment
bureau and started committees working
or the-rounding up of employers and
the lining up of jobs, together with the
solicitation-of the labor unions help.
The Red Cross, under whose auspices
the Federal Board of Vocational Education has been working. is devoting its

tion has been working, is devoting its energies particularly to the securing of employment for men who have been wounded, with emphasis on men who have suffered serious disability and will Continued on Page 3

NEW LEAVE AREAS OPEN IN PYRENEES

Spain from Resorts Near Border

Three new leave areas, in a new and utterly "un-American" part of France, the Pyrences district, will be open to the A.E.F. beginning December 15, and a fourth in the same mountain region will be open January 1. They will accommodate 8,000 men at a time.

The three ready to open are situated at Luchon, six kilometers from the Spanish border, Caurerets and Eaux-Bonnes. Ragnéres-Rigorres will open later. All are famous watering places, frequented by royalty and fashion in the days before the war. In each the Y.M.C.A. has taken over a large casino—at Cauterets it has leased two—in which French and American concert and vanderille troupes, French orchestras and American military bands will hold forth for the delectation of the Yank permissionaires, and where dancing will be the order of every day.

Chance to Visit Spain

Special permission has been-granted by the French frontier authorities tallow the Americans on leave, under proper escort, to make short excursion into Spain, so that men who want to be able to brag about the number occuntries they have been in can "take of a new one," so to speak.

Winter sports and "ente" pre the

with its famous grotto chapel.

FOR HOME-BOUND OFFICERS

Officers of the A.E.F. returning to the united States will be paid any claims hat they may have for mileage by the Disbursing Quartermaster at the base out at which they embark, according on an announcement from the office of the Chief Quartermaster. must, of course, be supported

Ciains must, of course, be supported by the proper orders. Arrangements have also been made whereby returning officers may receive checks on the Treasury of the United States in exchange for francs. The checks will be paid over in multiples of \$100 at the rate of exchange, fixed by the Treasury Department, in effect at the time.

ROCHEFORT SOARS TO FIRST HONORS IN RACE OF BASES

End of Fifth Week Sees Rouen in Second Place, **Brest Third**

PORTS WORK BOTH WAYS

embarkation Centers Get No Credi for Work Done on Westward **Bound Ships**

Rochefort it is this week. The Ven dee port lifted litself up by the boot straps in the Stevedores' "Race to Ber lin" from third in the weekly average published a week ago to the head of the column. Rouen, which headed has week's line, came in second, and Brest twice a litst-placer, was third. The order in which the nine racing port stand, as made up at the end of the fifth week of the contest, is:

		For
	5th Wk.	5 Wks
Rochefort	155.09	613.83
Rouen	135.25	673.9
Brest	131.25	664.98
Marseilles		612.53
La Pallice	122.09	580.29
Nantes	116.03	484.93
Bordenux		510.2
Le Havre	79.48	534.33
St. Nazaire	76.66	475:80
That makes the ports	stand.	for the

Yank stevedore, the officers and the dock sergeauts were a bit up against it at first, rather hesitating to approach the German prisoners who work there on the delicate subject of a race to the Prussian capital.

So they decided to try a little Yankee ingenuity, and by knocking the front off a couple of warehouses enabled the unloading cranes to swing farther inland, so that the Heinies didn't have to do so much toting. Thus fixed, the Heinies were able, without knowing it, to unload and stack more stuff in a day than they ever had before—and without working any harder. And Rouen's figures rose.

Coming and Going at Brest

Again, with the co-operation of the French and British port authorities, permission was gained for the dock sergeauts to float down the Scine to Havre, pick up the upcoming slips there, and have things all laid out for the unload-

NO MORE TRANSFERS

No more applications for transfer from one arm of the service to another will be received at G.H.Q., it is stated in Bulletin No. 97, G.H.Q. A cable gram has been received from the War Department prohibiting further transfers for this character.

PRESIDENT TO BECOME MEMBER OF A.E.F. TODAY; TROOPS AWAIT ARRIVAL

CHRISTMAS AHOY! YANK THOUSANDS SAIL FOR STATES REACHES PARIS TOMORROW

Bordeaux, St. Nazaire and **Brest Ship Many Home During Week**

GRADING OF MEN CONTINUES

Disability Boards Examine B and C Men in S.O.S.—Return Not Compulsory

The tide of American troops from the shores of France rose to new heights the past week, and transports bound for those recently anonymons "Atlantic ports" of the United States carried more than 10,000 houn-cager Yankees out of Bordeaux and somewhat fewer than 2,000 out of Sr. Nazaire. Brest, which has been principally concerned the past week with arrangements for receiving President Wilson, also found time to say Godspeed to a few boatloads of soldiers.

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Wounded men formed the big majory of passengers from all the ports, and ports from the whole S.O.S. told of ospitals rushing details so that as many memberson sadders as possible might

As one feature of the port plaus, it has been officially decided that rest camps hereafter shall be designated in all orders and other military literature as embarkation centers. In addition to the embarkation centers proper, each port will have an adjacent billeting and camp area to shelter thousands of soldiers.

while 10,000 men were embarking at Bordeaux this week, 14,000 other menmostly Artillerymen—were arriving preparatory to departure. A chaplain will sail on each homeward-bound transport. Many regulations governing departing troops have been announced.

Officers and men ordered to embark will carry with them only their individual mobile equipment (rifles, pistols, buyonets, etc.), also the steel heimet and gas mask.

Organizations paid off while in an ambarkation area will be paid in French money, but what French money re-mains in their possession when they receive orders to go aboard the tran-ports will be exchanged for U.S. cur-

All officers and men in the S.O.S. in Continued on Page 2

CROIX DE GUERRE WITH PALM FOR CHIEF OF S.O.S.

Maj. Gen. Harbord and Aides Honored for Valor in June Fighting

and Capt. Richard N. Williams, 2nd, aides to the general, were also decorated with the Croix de Guerre with gold str.. The presentation was made during a pouring rain in the midst of a hollow square formed of Marines, French Cavalry and Infantry, and officers and men from S.O.S. headquarters.

The 6th French Army citation conferring the decoration on General Harbord describes at length the heroism of the 4th Brigade of Marines under his command for their share in holding up and successfully stopping the German!

command for their share in holding up and successfully stopping the German advance on Paris last June and the bravery of various units of the command in the counter-attacks which cleared the Germans out of Belleau Wood and Bousches. The citations of Capts. Williams and Robinson recite their heroic acts in reconnaissance and liaison work under enemy shell and machine

Chief Executive Will Be Accorded Fitting Welcome at Brest

army Envisages Prospect of En-tertaining Its Head in Territory It Has Conquered

PREPARATION FOR RECEPTION

Arrangements Completed for Greeting Mr. and Mrs. Wilson, Secretary Lansing and Party

America's Chief Executive, Woodrow Wilson, has entered the political waters of Europe. Latest reports from his ship, the George Washington, assure his landing today at Brest.

Important as this event is to world history, political and military, not to mention the fact that it is the first time a President of the United States ever visited foreign land during his term of office, the President's coming is viewed by nearly 2,000,000 soldiers of the American armies in France as of great personal significance.

In it they see the possibility of having their Commander-in-Chief visit them on the ground they now occupy—which they won for democracy, after the world's most powerful autocracy had been conquered. To the soldiers of the American Expeditionary Forces this idea is

accompanied by the mayal convoy, met at see by vessels of the Ame Navy which have been in Eure waters on war duty. With them others of the British and French forces which put out into the All to greet the Chief Executive of Allied nation. Thus, before the I dent had opportunity to set for Europe the first manifestation of welcome on this side of the water made by the Allied world.

Proclamation at Brest

According to the schedule officially nnounced, the President will receive is first ovation on land when he dis-mburks today at Brest. The mayor f that, one of the oldest of European

the President's reception. Delegations from all parts of France, comprising high Government officials, military and naval, distinguished state officials and divillians, had gathered about the docks hours before the time scheduled for the arrival.

The mayor's proclamation, announcing the coming of President Wilson, had been posted for days. There was none but knew that President Wilson was coming today, nor were there any who were unprepared to greet and hid him welcome. In his preclamation, the mayor said:

oppression.

The population of Brest will celebrate in a fitting manner the arrival of President Wilson.

All, to whatever party they belong, will adorn their homes with flags and talks out to the benefit that the constitution of the constitution

In Paris Tomorrow

Maj. Gen. James G. Harbord, Commanding General, 8.0.8., was decorated with the Croix de Guerre with palm in the Place de la Gare at Tours Tuesday afternoon. Maj. Gen. Requichot, commanding the 9th Region of the French Army, presented the decoration to Gental Harbord in the name of the 6th French Army for valor last June while in command of the 4th Marine Reigade of the 2nd Division at Bellean Wood and Bouresches.

Capt. Fielding Robinson, U.S.M.C., and Capt. Richard N. Williams, 2nd, addes to the general, were also decorated members of the French Government.

Deed a range.

President Wilson will be met at the station by President Poincaré and other members of the French Government. From the time he arrives until the end of his stay in Parts, not a moment has been left without some plan for social and bushness engagements.

The French League of the Rights of Man decided to send a deputation to Brest to greet the President and to invite members of the league to celebrate his arrival in Paris. This organization will appeal to its affiliated sections throughout France to make known to the public the doctrine of democratic peace which President Wilson exposed to the world.

Holiday in the Capital

All mercantile establishments in Paris have declared Saturday a holiday. The school children also will be out in

As soon as possible after the Presi-

dent's arrival in Paris, it is probable that he will confer with Colonel E. M. House, who has been his personal representative in Europe, acting for him with the Allied Governments during the war.

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Mr. House has been busily engaged recently in collecting information which would be of value to the President in his great work here.

To the 320th Infantry of the Soth Division, comprising troops from Virginia, West Virginia, and Penusylvania has come the signal honor of escorting the President in Parls.

Arrangements are being made also for the visit of the President to Italy and England. He will be received by the royalty and people of the Italian mation with no less ceremony than awaits him throughout France.

Similar arrangements for the Presi

throughout France.
Similar arrangements for the President's visit to England have been proposed. He will make an address in London and another at Oxford.

Y.M.C.A. AND OTHER CANTEENS TO SELL O.M. STUFF AT COST

Articles Now Found Only in Commissaries Will Be Distributed

FREE HANDOUTS LIMITED

All Agencies Will Cooperate in Joint Committee Under Army Control

The resale at cost, through Y.M.C.A. and other canteens and post exchanges, of articles now obtainable by the American soldier only at commissary stores, and the formation of a joint committee consisting of the chief executives in France of all of the A.E.F.'s auxiliary organizations to work for the fullest possible coordination in meeting the needs, social and otherwise, of the A.E.F., are only two of the important things provided in Bulletin No. 96, just issued from G.H.Q.

The attainment of the maximum cooperation and efficiency of all the auxiliary organizations is the aim of Bulletin 96. Calling attention to G.O. No. 26, issued in 1917, providing that "the Red Cross will provide for the relief work and the Y.M.C.A. for the amusement and recreation of troops," it goes on to specify that the K. of C. and the Salvation Army will participate with the Y.M.C.A. in its prescribed activities and that the Y.W.C.A. and the Jewish Welfare Board will function through the Y.M.C.A.

The American Library Association, it is stated, will co-operate with all the other organizations to the fullest possible extent and, whenever possible will put its book service at the disposition of the A.E.F. through the medium of these organizations. It is authorized in addition, however, to supplement this service by lending books to A.E.F. members and units direct, at the request of the millitary authorities.

To Reach Greatest Number

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The work of the welfure organizations will be so distributed as to reach the greatest number of men. Toward this end all plans will be centered. The Q.M. Corps, in supplying its wares for resale through canteens and exchanges, will make it its practical business to maintain an equitable distribution to all Y.M.C.A. sales places. The K. of C. and the Salvation Army will be supplied only in areas not served by the Y.M.C.A. and the Red Cross only for hospitals and in connection with railroad stations. Free distribution is distinctly limited.

imited.

"Owing to the heavy demands for transportation," says the bulletin, "as well as obligation to prevent any wasterful use or resources contributed to these societies by the public, it is directed that free distribution by them of food, tobacco and other articles be strictly limited to those situations in which such free distribution will be of real benefit to troops. In general, free distribution may be permitted to troops when ordiname comforts and facilities are not available, as, to sick and wounded, to troops in transit or otherwise separated from their usual source of supply."

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The joint committee, consisting of the European heads of the A.E.F.'s seven auxiliary organizations, will meet, it is specified, at least once a month at any time and place it may designate, the only provision being that it notify G.H.Q. in time to have an A.E.F. rep-resentative present. Each of the or-ganizations, incidentally, will submit to G.H.Q. a monthly financial statement of its operations overseas.

BAN ON PARIS AND ITALY

This newspaper is in receipt of hundreds of letters from soldiers who ask if they will be permitted to visit Paris before being sent home. Paris leaves or sight-seeing trips for all, or a big fraction, of the A.E.F. are not feasible because of lack of transportation.

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For the same reason, soldiers whose garents or other relatives live in Italy or other European countries are being denied permission to visit them before returning to the United States.

TENNIS TOURNEY PLANS

A three-day military Inter-Ailled Tennis Tournament for soldiers of the Allied Armies who have served at the front or who, if they have not, are over 35 years old, is scheduled to be held in Paris, beginning today. It is to be held under the auspices of the Commission Centrale de Tennis, of the Union des Sociétés Françaises des Sports Athlétiques. There will be champlonship singles and doubles.

Save for the furnishing of detachments for guard and patrol work, the M.P. Corps is henceforth to be relieved of all matters pertaining to leave areas or leave bureaus, which are in future to be under the jurisdiction of the Commanding General, S.O.S.

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On the Home Stretch

SOAP REPLACES MARK AS CONQUERORS ENTER

If the Man from Mars were to visit Rhenish Prussia these days and journey along the serpentine Moselle from the frontier to the Rhine-from Trier to Coblence—he would have to be an unisually keen observer if he were to suspect that the American soldiers he saw, were conquering troops, making their victory certain by taking over for a time one of the fairest provinces of the enemy.

When the first week of the occupation was over and the troops were already in Coblence, the docket at headquarters, set aside for civilian protests, stood absolutely empty. A bouncing young army to considerably more than 200,000 men had spent its first week in undisjunted possession of a well-ordered countryside whose sons had lately been at their throats in the Argonne, and there was not a single complaint. Not an instance of disorder or friction. Not a ripple, not a breath.

Surely there was never such another military occupation in the history of that squabblesome institution known as the for the German people has flowed unrufted the deferman people has flowed unrufted of the German people has flowed unrufted the transplant of the transplant of the transplant of the second day of the occupation, it arrived on the second day of the occupation, it arrived on the second day of the occupation, it arrived on the second day of the occupation, it is business as usual, and the Yankee visitors as nonchalantly about their threat the form the provinces of the provinces of the dead officer was leaves his soap on his washstand is like the butterfly society without province and transplant of the troops are t

On the Home Stretch

Soon the supply trains will be returning anything but empty—packed, rather, with jovial prisoners of war on the home stretch. Into the area of the Third American Army, stretched like a net along the Rhime on both sides of Coblence, have poured many of the first prisoners to be freed. It is easy to get loose, for, with the relaxation of the new regime in the interior of the enemy domain, they have been able to walk past their oblivious guards and, sometimes in groups of 50 or 60, hook rides to the frontier.

They did not wait for officialdom to return them. They had but one idea in their homesick hearts, to get back with the folks, and on such a pligrimage they have started by thousands, afoot if necessar. They have arrived weary cold

Right at Home in Trier

They had not been in Trier 24 hours before they were completely at home there. They finunced the candy stores and the beer halls, they went to the movies, to the opera, they submitted nervously to the attentions of German barbers, they stared into the neat, for the hope windows all gay with Christmas cards, and they sauntered along the lamplit streets taking lessons in German from Lena and Gretchen.

The German soldiers whom the Yank meets are in uniform for the excellent reason that otherwise they would catch cold. They have, for the most part, been duly discharged, though some of them have just floated away from the army, sometimes bringing a bit of its property along with them.

Here and there a German artilleryman, having decided that the time had come for him to be demobilized and that it was the least the Quartermaster could do to 'farnish this soldler the necessary transportation,' would shove his gim into the nearest ditch and drive his horses home. More than one American soldier, a trific weary of this business of walking from Bar-le-duc to Coblence, has been sorely tempted by the offer of such a pair of nags for a hundred marks.

When the Germans Pass

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The returning German soldiers and
the Americans pass each other stiffly and
eye each other askance. The doughboy
is quite willing to leave to the powers
that be the question as to whether or
not he has any quarrel with the German
people, but he has apparently decided
for himself that he has no quarrel with
the German children, of which Rhenish
Prussia seems to have an unlimited output.

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As the Third American Army saunched, a monthly financial statement of its operations overseas.

RESCUES FRENCH GIRL

After a spectacular dive from one of the quays at Bordeaux a week ago Thursday, Corporal Carl Soost rescued from drowning Mile. Charlotte Vaudelaine, who had been knocked into the Garonne river by a bolsting crane. With the assistance of Carl Lewis, another American soldier, Corporal Soost brought the girl safely to shore.

It was necessary for the rescuer to dive under the water three times before he finally reached the girl. The work of rescue was rendered more difficult owing to the fact that the tide was out, making a distance of about 20 feet from the top of the quay to the surface of the content of the quay to the surface of the river.

But souvenirs are a drug on the mar-ket. That market slumped badly when the receding Germans began to shed their equipment as they went, but the bottom fell out of it when the Americans reached Rhenish Prussia, for here were great warehouses full of gorgeous spiked helmets to be had for the asking. Why,

THOUSANDS OF YANKS EN ROUTE FOR HOME

and west through Gievres to be shipped to Montoir. Property in the hands of troops stationed elsewhere to be shipped

G-4 MAKING HISTORY

A complete collection of samples of war materials, to be preserved for historic purposes, is being made in the A.E.F. under the general supervision of G-4. Each department, corps and service is directly charged with collecting and packing complete samples of the material relating to the work of the department and of making models of articles which are too bulky for shipment to the States.

NUMBERS FOR PORT M.P.'S

M.P.'s in Base Section No. 2 (Bor-leaux) are to have numbers just like the coppers back home. The provost marshal at that port has announced that a blue brassard bearing a number in red is to be issued to each unember of the force.

Theatre Albert I

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examining board does not believe will
certainly become Class A within two
months will be relieved from dutties as
soon as their services can be spared and
cent to an embarkation point. Those
reclassified as of Class A will remain on
their present duties or be sent forward
as replacements. Any Class B or C officer or soldier who makes a written request to remain lohger on duty with the
A.E.F. may be permitted to do so in the
discretion of his commanding officer.
The maximum number of officers of
the Regular Army who will be allowed
to accompany organizations to the
United States will be as follows: Division headquarters, three field officers or
one general and two field officers; brigade headquarters, one general or one
field officer; regiment, separate battations and trains, one field officer.

Nice Job for Somebody
All other Regular Army officers acto Montoir. Iroperty in the name of troops stationed elsewhere to be shipped to St. Sulpice.
Ordmance Property.—For units stationed east of a line drawn north and south through Gievres, all artillery material to the shipped to Mehun, all personal and horse equipment to Gievres, all ammunition to St. Loubes. For property in the hands of units stationed west of Gievres, shipping instructions will be obtained from the C.O.O.

Air Service.—For units stationed in the advance section, air service property to Colombey-les-Belles. For all units stationed elsewhere, air service property to Romorantin.

Medical Property. — Thoops retain combat medical equipment. Sanitary Train equipment to be shipped to Gievres.

Motor Transport.—Units in the Advance Section, to M.T.C. Park at Dijon. Intermediate Section to Verneuil and Romorantin. Paris Section to M.T.O., Paris, Base Sections to Motor Reception Park, Base Port.

It is desired to avoid to the greatest possible extent eastbound hauls, and in any case where a strict interpretation of this order would entail such a haul of considerable movement, instructions will be obtained by wire from S.O.S. head-quarters.

Nice Job for Somebody
All other Regular Army officers accompanying troops to embarkation ports
as follows: Infaniry, Machine Gun and
Medical to St. Aignau; Artillery to Le
Cornear; Quartermaster to Château du
Loir: Signal Corps to Cours Cheverney;
Engineers to Angers and all other officers to Blois.

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organizations ordered to embarkation points are particularly warned, in the latest instructions, to have all records of both officers and soldiers immediately available at all times; they should not be carried as freight or with baggage. Allowances of baggage authorized for the return trip are: Lieutenant-general, 1,500 pounds; major-general, 1,000; brigadier-general, 700; field officers, 400; captain, 200; lieutenant, 150; non-commissioned officers above the grade of comporal, 100; and corporals and privates, 75 pounds. One of the nice little jobs awaiting organizations at the embarkation ports is the making out of 12 copies of the organization's passenger lists, to be distributed to all concerned on the way to the transport.

Where to Send Property

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Embarkation instructions No. 5, Headquarters S.O.S., give the following rules
for the disposition of property not to be
carried by organizations on leaving station for return to the United States:
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D.Q.M., Paris. Property in the hands of
troops stationed west of this line and
north of a line drawn east and west
through Montierchaume to be shipped to
St. Nazaire.
Signal Corps and Chemical Warfare
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the folks, and on such a pilgrimage they have started by thousands, afoot if necessary. They have arrived weary, cold, hungry, but still so bent on getting home that they have been impatient of the mild detention enforced on them by the 11th Infantry, which has charge of this Yankee matter in the area of the Third American Army. "And speaking of home," said a Yank. MODERN OPTICAL Co. American Army. "And, speaking of home," said a Yank, halting before a neat little bakery shop, which, strangely enough, had the same name as his own over the door, "I don't know about you fellows, but I don't have quite so far to go. My father and mother live here." "MODERN OPTICAL Co.' (AMERICAN SYSTEM) EYE SPECIALISTS AND OPTICIANS SEND MONEY ORDERS AND CORRESPONDENCE TO N. QUENTIN, DIRECTOR, 5 Boulevard des Italiens, PARIS. 10% Reduction to Americans. (AMERICAN SYSTEM) EYE SPECIALISTS AND OPTICIANS SEND MONEY ORDERS AND CORRESPONDENCE TO N. QUENTIN, DIRECTOR,

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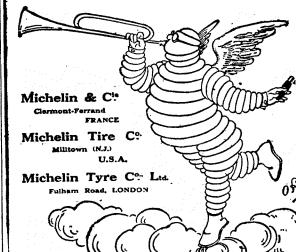
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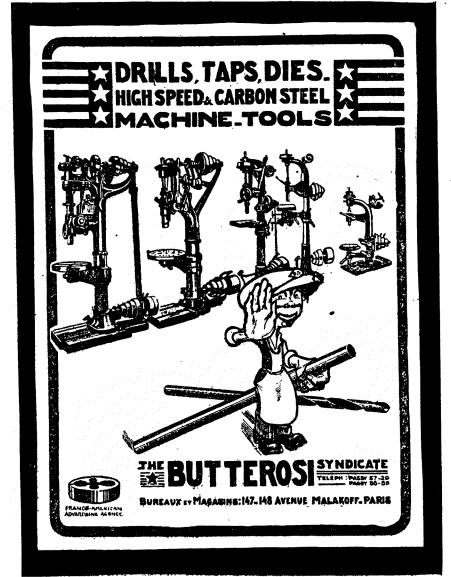
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Monday, Last Day for Adoptions, to Find Fam-'ily Over 3,000

188 MORE FOR S.O.S.; A.S. 50

Generous Units to Be Listed on Honor Roll in Final Accounting and Sum-up

With only three more business days ahead. THE STARS AND STRIPES Christmas War Orphant Campaign neared the 2.500 mark this week, still going strong. Two hundred and thirty-six was the seven days 'total.

The 500 orphans the A.E.F. started for ten weeks ago have been oversubscribed 300 per cent, and then some, and, what with the 514 adopted during the summer and an indicated burst of speed for the close of the race, it is certain tight the total of the family of fatherless children is going to be well over 3.000.

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over 2,000. The S.O.S. was the banner contributor this week, supplementing its record order of last week for SM children with a request for 183 nove.

Money for the adoption of more than 2,000 orphans has now passed through the S.O.S. Christmas Orphan Campaign headquarters, money enough, it may be added, to go a long way toward straightening the kinks in the lives of the children of the departments of France, recently rid of the invader.

Next in size to the S.O.S. this week came the Air Service, which has been conducting an enthusiastic campaign for several weeks that has made it conspicuous in the list of parrains.

When the net results of the air Service campaign are gleaned, to this 70 will be added several score others taken during previous weeks, and more still to come. But the net total cannot be made yet because the Air Service sant in many of its adoptions through the S.O.S. orphan campaign headquarters in the campaign which resulted in the S.O.S. being checked, up with something more than 1,000 Christmas children to its credit.

Biggest Field Takes 60

The acro men apportioned out the number of adoptions expected of each air camp and squadpon and then started a campaign which went off with the rush of a 98-cent silk stocking sale. One which describes liself as the biggest (and a lot of other superlatives) figura field in the world—was notified that it was expected to become the godfather, protector and provider of 60 orphans. It did.

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Another was advised that, unless its personnel which flew, or complained because it didn't, assumed the same role and responsibility to 40 more it couldn't expect to amount to much in the ranks of amatter philanthropists. The result was 20,000 frames,

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At this field one company—the 19th Co., 4th Motor Mechanics Regt.—adopted ten. We haven't been able yet to ascertain the strength of this company, but it looks like a new per capita record for the A.P.F. The 17th Co. of the same 'regiment took four children, and the 182nd Aero Squadron and the Accla Gunnery School took seven alice. Several squadrons took three each.

Even the balloon men, to whom we used to throw compliments and thanks in the old, pre-Christmas campaign days dug up some more. The 18th Balloon Co. was heard from as follows:

"Although it is our custom to fly high, last week found our pocketbooks so flabby and badly in need of topping off that they could scarrely rise to any eccasion. Since then, however, the Q.M. inflated them so far beyond their capacity: that we had to valve off 1,500 frames into a nurse balloon to keep from hlowing up.

blowing up.

"We learn that a balloon of this rapacity contains sufficient wherewithat to keep three pockethooks of the French orphan type inflated for one year, so we are sending the nurse bag herewith."

The patients of Base Hospital No. 7 made one of the most notable adoptions of the week-or of the whole campaign, as far as that goes.

"The campaign started in this hospital," wrote the contributors, "in a ward of 50 patients. One of the patients started collecting pennics as a joke. When he had canvassed the ward he had 40 francs. Then the question arose as to what was to be done with

the money.

"The head nurse suggested that we start a "Ruy a Bahy" campaign in this ward, and the following day the chief nurse, having heard of the idea, said that if we could collect 1,000 francs she native, naving neard of the field, said that if we could collect 1,000 franes she would donate the same amount. A ward canvass was, beam immediately. Instead of collecting the mere 1,000 franes, we went over the top the second day of the campaign with 1,325 franes. "The entire amount was collected exclusively from patients, the majority of whom receive but 45 franes per month. The chief nurse donated 1,475 franes to make it five orphans."

The Patients of Base Hospital No. 7 want two blondes, two brunettes and a colored baby, and we, we're going to make good on the colored ophan order if we have to go to South Africa, abduct a chief, bring it up here and get it

If we have to go to South Africa, abduct a child, bring it up here and get it naturalized.

The Motor Truck and Supply Train organizations are hitting on 10 or 11 cylinders. Senior Chaplain Albert L. Evans, G.I.S.D., at A.P.O. 713 sent out 150 circular letters to 150 different organizations. Reports are that 30 organizations raised the necessary contributions for orphans and that 100 of them will.

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The Centurion's Band found the orphan idea "in direct harmony with the ideals for which they stand" and struck into the giving meter immediately.

To Close Monday Noon

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As announced two weeks ago, the Christmas orphan empaign will close at noon next Monday, and all the money received thereafter will be held and applied to second year adoptions. The contributions will go to making provision for members of the A.E.F.'s family whose plight will not be immediately ameliorated by the coming of peace and who would be as badly off as ever, or worse, if their present monthly allowances stopped suddenly a few months hence.

Some exceptions may be made to this Some exceptions may be made to this rule in extraordinary cases—in instances, for example, where organizations are now conducting campaign of handle their own which cannot be concluded in time to get the proceeds to this office by

TO THE THIRD ARMY

"As the instruments of a strong, free Government whose purposes to-ward the people of Germany are beneficent," the Third American Army is taking up its occupation of German soil, according to the terms of G.O. 218. which sets forth the line of conduct for that Army. The text of the order

reads:
"In view of the extraordinary conditions under which that part of the American Expeditionary Forces which constitutes the Army of Occupation of German territory is serving, the Commander-in-Chief desires to acquaint the officers and men composing it with the expectations which he entertains as to their conduct.

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"You have come not as despoilers or oppressors, but simply as the instruments of a strong, free Government whose purposes toward the people of Germany are beneficent.

"During our occupation the civil population is under the special safeguard of the failth and honor of the American Army.

"It is, therefore, the intention of this order to appeal directly to your pride in your position as representatives of a powerful but righteous nation, with the irm conviction that you will so conduct yourself in your relations with the inhabitants of Germany as will cause them to respect you and the country you have the honor to represent.

"While you appear among them as a conquering army, you will exhibit no ill will toward the inhabitants.

"On the other hand, you are warned against conduct unbecoming your position as instruments of military rule.

"So long as a state of war continues, Germany remains enemy territory, and there must be no intimate personal association with its inhabitants. A dignified and reserved attitude will be maintained on your part at all times. "It is not believed that any acts of pillage or violence will be committed by members of the American Forces, but, should any persons prove themselves unworthy of this confidence, their acts will be considered not only as direct insult to the flag of the United States.

"Such transgressions, should—they occur, will be punished with the severest penulties known to our military law.

"By command of General Pershing:

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"By command of General Pershing:

"James W. McAndrew, "Chief of Staff."

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TO FIRST HONORS

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IN RACE OF BASES

SERVICES PLAN TO AID RETURNED MEN IN SECURING JOBS

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consequently have to take up new lines
of work. Through this board, every
disabled man in the A.E.F. is guaranteed the benefits of any or all of the
following services that he may require:
Advice and assistance in selecting a
suitable occupation; help in returning
to his old occupation; help in returning
to his old occupation it such a course
seems advisable; training for a new occupation or for greater proficiency in
his old one; permanent employment in
a desirable position; follow-up work to
protect him from mistakes and give him
encouragement.

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To Get Pay While Training

It has provided for courses of instruction designed to fit men for new carcers, and with the backing of the Government is ready to use all the existing educational facilities of the United States, including the offices, farms and workshops, as well as the schools in that category. Furthermore, while man is taking one of those vocational courses he will be paid at least Stata onth, or more, in proportion to his rank, with additional allowances if has dependents.

The board, which has the entire backing of the Government at Washington, has branches in 15 of the larger cities of the United States, in close touch with employers of all sorts of labor. A left readdressed to its overseas agency, care of the American Red Cross, Room 28. Hotel Reginn, Paris, will call forthfull information describing the work of the various courses and the general mature of the plan.

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Adopted by Christmas

The allotment of children to meet the unexpected rush is proceeding at the Red Cross orphan committee's headquarters at an increased pace. Most of the adoptions will be made by Christmas, and the rest so soon afterward that the recipients of the A.E.F.'s francs will merely think that Santa Claus missed one train and come along on the next.

As to the recently redeemed districts of France where the need is great, and to which the S.O.S. contributions for approximately 1,000 orphans will be devoted, arrangements are proceeding satisfactorily. As stated before, the work will have to be done in conjunction with the French civil nuthorities. It is expected that the alloting of children in these districts will begin in three or four weeks.

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A permanent garrison of 7,000 troops is now occupying the Brest camp, and

mand. The camp's 17 mess halls will feed 5,000 soldiers in 40 minutes. There is a modern American Inspital in the camp with beds for 2,000 patients. The plumbing and water works egual those of a big city, with 55 miles of sewer line and 125 miles of pipe line for the water supply. There are 20 miles of gravel sidewalk and 20 miles of highway in the camp.

camp.

The plan is to have the outward bound troops stay in the camp for about four days, and about 10,000 will be sent out daily when the full quota of ships is running. The procedure outlined for the individual soldier in the camp is as follows:

1,500 Baths an Hour

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now wagering that they will celebrate
President Wilson's coming by cinching
the pennant in the sixth week, which
seems to be as practical a way of celebrating as could be devised.

St. Nazaire's present position on the
race map has not dulled the enthusiasm
one iota, but the whole port is mourning the departure of Colonel Goodwyn,
the Stevedore's chief, who was one of
the most ardent boosters of the port in
the big serap now on. The colonel was
taken up to the hospital at Savenay last
week, suffering from a complete nervous
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Extensive plans have been made for the comfort of the men to go home from Brest. They are to receive full garrison rations, and to have all their clothing sterilized in a plant located in Camp 4. Big auditoriums are being built by the X.M.C.A., with 11 huts and a warehouse, and the Red Cross is to build eight huts itself. An Army theater is to be built there at Government expense. The camp boasts a quaint souvenir store run by the French that will do a land office business in the last minute souvenir purchases by the men who are waiting for the home boat.

The barracks facilities comprise 700 buildings and 400 tents located on a hill 34 miles from the city broper. The camp itself has an interesting history. The wails of the original barracks, built in 1650, were the very ones that housed Aspoleon I, and still remain standing. The natives point out the room in the ancient building on the grounds where, they claim, the to-be Emperor of the French lived while he was a military student.

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FIRST BATCHES OF XMAS MAIL ARRIVE

Two Vessels Bring Across 24,000 Sacks Just for a Starter

The first large batch of Christmas mail has arrived at Bordeaux in two steamers, one making port late last week and the other early this week. The two vessels carted a total of 24,000 sacks of mail. These shipments, according to the postal authorities, are only a starter, and many shipments even larger are expected within the next few days.

Special arrangements have been made at the Bordeaux post office for handling this deluge of Christmas mail, and that office is now one of the most active scenes of operations in the A.E.F.

An additional force of 100 men and two officers have been picked out to assist the regular force of trained men at the docks, and two shifts working day and night have been inaugurated. The mail is first put into the huse post office warehouse as a preliminary to shipping it ont to every section of France or Germany where American troops are stationed. A guard stands watch over the mail from the time it is moved from the hold of the ship until it is londed on cars and sent out in charge of postal employees.

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In order that there may be no delay in sending out the Christmas mail, the commanding general of the Base has had several conferences on the situation, and a sufficient number of cars has been promised to handle everything that comes in. An American car will hold 1,000 sacks and a French car 300.
Unlabeled mail, which usually constitutes about 10 per cent, comes to the Army Post Office in Bordeaux, where the organization is looked up and the mail then sent to the proper station.

At present there are three sailings a week for the United States, besides the sailings on the French Line, which carries large quantities of American mail. From Base Section No. 2 alone more than 350,000 lefters are mailed each day to the people in the States.

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President has had faith in it and has sup-ported it through thick and thin, lending the powerful aid of his high office to the furtherance of all the works that would help it to carry out its appointed task. It is glad that the President is in Europe has undergone the horrors coming to review the Army in all its of the front. Private Johnnie Jones of activities in France, to see for himself how the S.O.S., whose greatest hardship in the mission intrusted to it by America has this war was taps at 9:30, was pictured in his home journal, and captioned,

the mission intrusted to it by America has this war was taps at 9:30, was pictured been fulfilled.

The French and the other Allied Governments will welcome and acclaim the President as the official representative of the United States. The A.E.F. welcomes folks that of the 2,000.000 Americans in and acclaims him as something more—as folks that of them. through no fault of the representative and embodiment of the home folks.

But, once the idea is around, and once we get back with our first-hand knowledge.

REVERSING THE ENGLISH

In the old days when Fritz was still dropping over heavy ones and the boys in the line were wearing their gas masks at alert, those boys in the line used to be able to be able to be a beautiful to be be able to be able t be able to look over their shoulder, figuratively, and, taking the collective S.3.S. in at one broad glance, exclaim. Pretty soft for you!

The fact that the S.O.S. had something The fact that the S.O.S. had something to say on the subject, apropos of the forcible suppression of their belligerent tendencies and the regrettable military necessity of having to feed and supply an army at the front and usually said it—didn't mitigate the force of the exclamation. But time—as time does—and the armistice have changed things. The collective S.O.S. now looks up over the top of piles of corned willy in crates, over desk tops, over the roofs of newly-built warehouses and billets, over charts re-

warehouses and billets, over charts re warehouses and billets, over charts re-cording freight handled and the "distance towards Berlin," and, surveying that vast field of khaki which has nothing more to do than drill five hours a day or occupy Germany, murmars, "Pretty soft for you."

KEEPING THINGS GOING

Last winter, when all outdoors was a sea of mud or sleet or dirty snow, about all the entertainment that the two and three stripers amongst us indulged in consisted in sitting around the old Sibley

consisted in sitting around the old Sibley stove and declaiming that all Gaul was divided into three parts and that we were in the worst. Often we varied it by wittly pronouncing that Sherman was right.

This winter, with the facilities for entertainment what they are, there should be no place for the gloomfest. We know each other better and each other's capabilities for making a good time. For bilities for making a good time. For example, we never realized that Alex could ship and if we went out with him on our first pay-day night. And we never discovered that Joe was an expert clog dancer until after he got that long-delayed letter

until after he got that long-delayed letter from his girl.

There is no public duty more pressing than that which devolves upon the Alexes and the does of this Army who can sing, clog, pull rabbits out of tin-derbies, box, wrestle or climb trees to do those things for the delight of those of us who have no such accomplish-ments—or, rather, think that, we ments — or, rather, think haven't. The "performers" amongst us should perform continuously and persist-ently, every night if need be. Gloom and bad weather and just plain sitting in-barracks are worse enemies of an Army away from home than the Boche ever was.

HELP WANTED_MALE

STENGGRAPHER — Must have reading-wrinowledge of French or Spunish; good salar DARKYMAN — Must be familiar with molethods of scientific dairying; good salary puse.

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Tractics—Modern European History and
Civies, in large private school; salary and lying.
These are just a few samples of the
things that we will read in the magazines

and trade journals when we have shuf-fled off the O.D. and stepped into long trousers again. How many of the attrac-tive jobs listed in them can we measure

tree jobs listed in them can we measure up to—now?

Not many, ch? Well, what are we going to do about it?

The Army, with the co-operation of the Y.M.C.A., has already laid the ground-work whereby each of us may, at no cost to himself, measure up to a better job than he had before he left the States. It is all those for the asking, and It is all there for the asking, and the work. It is one of the rewards handed out to us for our services overseas—the opportunity to be better off in every way

opportunity to be better off in every way in the years to come, broader in outlook, more expert in our chosen trade or calling.

Beginning the first of the year, the courses will be open to us. It is up to us, and to us only, whether we take them or not. But when we think of what we can do with a little extra knowledge tucked away under our

The Stars and Stripes overseas hats, when we think of how we can translate that knowledge into terms of real coin, and pleasant sur-roundings, and increased usefulness to our country—well, we'll all be plain darned country-well, we'll all be plain darned fools if we don't all make the effort.

BOGUS HEROES

There have been a lot of bogus heroes in America since the Army began dis-patching men back to the States for reasons. Every soldier who has gone back has been a hero until proved otherwise, and the templation not to prove themselves otherwise has been too much for some.

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THE PRESIDENT

The A.E.F. will welcome President Wilson on his arrival as its partner and backer in the long scrap now ended, as well as welcoming him formally as its Commander-in-Chief. It will not only turn out the gunrel for him; it will turn itself inside out, for in the person of the president are represented all of the millions of backers and co-workers of the President are represented all of the millions of backers and co-workers of the President are represented all of the millions of backers and co-workers of the President are represented all of the millions of backers and co-workers of the President are represented all of the millions of backers and co-workers of the President are represented all of the millions of backers and co-workers of the President are represented all of the millions of backers and co-workers of the president are represented all of the millions of backers and co-workers of the president are represented all of the millions of backers and co-workers of the president are represented all of the millions of backers and co-workers of the president are represented all of the millions of backers and co-workers of the president are represented all of the millions of backers and co-workers of the president are represented all of the millions of backers and co-workers of the president are represented all of the millions of backers and co-workers of the president are represented all of the millions of backers and co-workers of the president are represented all of the millions of backers and co-workers of the president are represented all of the millions of backers and co-workers of the president are represented all of the millions of backers and co-workers of the president are represented all of the millions of backers and co-workers of the president are represented all of the millions of backers and co-workers of the president are represented all of the millions of backers and co-workers of the p

we get back with our first-hand knowledge of affairs over here, the bogus hero is go-ing to have a pretty thorny trail.

A HAPPY AUGURY

it will probably be news to several hundred thousand anxious waiters — not meaning garcons—in the A.E.F. to know that some nine by four by threes have already reached France. They have not only reached France, but they have been forwarded to the addressee, who did the ad-

dressing himself not very many weeks ago. So far as we know, none of these boxes bore the rarely heeded legend "Not to be opened until Christmas." They were opened, whether they did or not, and much fruit cake, fudge and other edible matter not found on the Q.M.'s list of subsistence stores immediately set out that divides the Panama and the entire inland waterway system of France—the

alimentary.
Those boxes were relatively few in number. But the early arrival of even these few is a happy augury for the speedy de-livery of several hundred thousand others of like weight and dimension

A NEW MASTER OF FICTION

From his safe little retreat on the island of Wieringen in Dutch waters, the ex-Crown Prince of Germany has been giv-ing out interviews, also one abdication. The abdication is satisfying and the inter-

The abdication is satisfying and the interviews interesting for the light they throw on his ex-Highness's mentality.

"Contrary to all statements hitherto made abroud," he says, "I never desired war." This, be it remembered, is the same man who, as heir to the German throne, told Ambassador Gerard that when he became Emperor there would be war, "if only for the fun of it."

The ex-Crown Prince seems to have had

war, "if only for the fun of it."

The ex-Crown Prince seems to have had his war, all right, without the burden of becoming Emperor and with a minimum of fun. And now, discredited as a general, he seems to be well on his way to become a master of fiction.

"MANNERS MAKYTH MAN"

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"Who salutes first, the enlisted man or the officer?" is, of course, a foolish question to be asked in Army circles, because everybody learned the answer long ago. But "Who salutes first, a major or a major?" is something else, and has been the subject of heated debate in more officers' messes than one.

You cannot read in a man's face whether or not his commission antedates yours. He may be a fair-haired second lieutenant, you a gray-tressed one, but, he may outrank you all the same. Therefore, as far as we can find out from official and

may outrank you an the same. Therefore, as far is we can find out from official and non-official sources, the best rule to follow is to sainte first, anyway—to give the officer of ostensibly the same rank as your awn the benefit of the doubt, to err on the

side of politeness.

In this connection, the answer made by one major to the all-engrossing question is of interest. Upon being asked, "Who are one of the property here." salutes first, a major or—a major?

If he hesitated, I wouldn't." THE SECRET OUT

Run your eye down the table of con-tents of Songs for the Fireside, Select flynns, or All the Latest Hits, and you will find that about everything in them has been ragged or choked to death during these past 17 months in barracks, in billets, on the march, wherever a pair, or several pairs, of O.D. lungs have had the chance to let loose on them.

An A.E.P. song book, if it were to be truly inclusive, would have to contain about everything that has ever been sung anywhere by anybody.

anywhere by anybody.

One song would be omitted. It is the song which the soldier has thought and lived, though he did not sing it; it is the song which now stands for realization. It means a job done, a journey ended. It is called "Home, Sweet Home."

The Army's Poets

when Flanders' mud is dried and but a

hack to thee:"
I'll jump and yell with gladness and in my
glee I'll say:
"Captain, land me ANYHERE in the good
old U.S.A." low think it over pardner, and I know that

you'll agree.
That you don't give an oo-la-la where you leave the sea.
They can put us off at MAINE or on the bench at NEWPORT NEWS, And we'll find a fitting welcome to end our warlike cruise.

Oh, my gweet little maiden, so far away Do yen hear me call at the break of day Do you hear my voice in the whispering

anew.

I shall listen again to the old sweet song
In the voice that to me has been stilled

gleam;
And all will be fair 'neath a smiling sky,
As the years slip peacefully, happily by,
Aric

It is a gray day,
And a wet day,
And the oceun is full of subs—
And a cracker, of course,
Is only a cracker;
But the way he shields that cracker,
Tenderly, clumsily,

TO MARGUERITE O maiden fair, What raven hair, I cannot tell just what you say, As I do not compris francaise But I can read those eyes that g O lovely maid of sunny France

O lovely maid of sumy react.

O maiden dear,
With lips so near,
I cannot quite your French compris,
But I can read those lips, you see,
And tell just what you want, perchance
O lovely maid of sunny France.

O lovely main or sum...
O mailen true,
With words anew,
Just tell me what you want to say,
But I do not compris francaise,
I prithee, do not miss the chance,
O lovely maid of sunny France. O maiden fair,
With raven hair,
My heart is orphaned from its breast,
I prithee, you may keep the rest,
And I, mayhap, will stay in France,
O lovely maid, with eyes that glance!
Edwin E. Whiteside, ist Lt., M.C.

THE DISGUISE

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I wonder at the afterwhile.
When God takes one away:
Willi-not the only soul return
In wind or fog or spray?
Or in the swelling buds of spring,
Or in the April rain?
I only know, to be with thee,
I will come back again!
Because God gave the love we share,
Perhaps He'll let me be
A ray of living soullight
To shine, my dear, on thee!
Caroline Giltlan,
Caroline Giltlan,
Caroline Giltlan,

TWAS EVER THUS

Quite frequent, in the evenings, after chow is stowed away.

And we sit around re-doin' the labor of the distriction of the distriction of the distriction of the distriction of baseball.

But the praisin' of their home State is the one that gets them all.

that gets atom at.

There's the Top from old I-O-W-A, speaks of fields of "valler" corn,
And he's got a bunch of brothers who are all Iowan born.

To our clerk old NOICTH DAKOTA is the land of Home Sweet Home,
And CALIFORNIA'S blessing shines upon our Loocy's dome.

The Blue Ridges of VIRGINIA are oft eulo-gized by Hank, While to Bill no State at all with ILLINOIS

can rank.

But Brooks will stand argify in tones both clear and held
That the dear old State of ARKANSAS he's dying to behold.

aying to benotic.

Now, when they start (a-praisin' of the spot where they were born.

I ain't the sort of guy to crab and 4ry to filing their born.

For the gray who lacks the pep to boost for his bonne town.

Is the bird who's pretty uscless in the chase for Wilhelm's crown.

But—although PENNSYLVANIA'S hills have kept me day and night,
I'll never say she holds the only spot at all that's right.
I love her very dearly, but she's one of forty-

eight,
And she stands above no other in a real, just
estimate.

not shout "Dear home State, I'm coming hack to thee;"

warlike cruise.

Then we'll hie our way to homeland by boat or rail or gas.

And we'll find the same fond greeting through every town we pass.

We're just Uncle Sammy's Yankees from the land of lot and plenty.

And here's a hope that we're all back there by the year of 1920.

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SOLDIER'S LOVE SONG

Do you hear my voice in the whispering breeze?
And my words of love in each move o' the trees?
When the moon shines clear and crystal white And the stars bedeck the tovely night.
Do you hear me quicity, gently say:
"I love you now, and I shall for aye?"

Do you hear me quietly, gently say:

"I love you now, and I shall for aye?"

For I miss your soft, endeaving touch, and that wondrous smile that I love so much; Those sparkling eyes that I so adore Smiling me welcome as of yore.

And I long to hear that beloved voice (If I heard but a word, how I should rejoice); In its tender tones it has fold the tule of Enduring Love that will never fail:

It has whispered me words that have brought to be processed to the world a blest release. At a word from your lips I would gladly give All that I have; I would die-my live. But most of all of the things that I miss, fs the touch of the lips that I love to kiss: Their nectar sweetness lingers still Like the look in your eyes when you said, "I will."

And many the nameless, haunting charms of your fragrant hair, your loving arms; of communing silences, wondrous hours should not be some and and carry them with me until I awake From out this dream of troubled strife, with Rampant Death abroad midst life.

For soon I shall come again to you, and way we have her had ever love to the threads of our love.

For soon I shall come again to you, And we'll pick up the threads of our love

long. And the past will be dead as an evil dream That is gone at the sign of the dawn's first

T'S THE LITTLE THINGS THAT COUNT

Everywhere wetness and chill, And light for and grayness, And Private Samarski, slicker adrip, His riffe asiant beside him, Sags against the rail.

Sags against the rail.

Truly no martial figure—
A sodden cap.
A swarthy fixed by a slicker,
With rain trickling down
Through a week-old beard.

With the tender care
And the reverence due
His mother's picture,
Or a lover's amulet.

Private Samarski, soldier and human,
Puts his hand in his slicker
And draws out a cracker.

A soda cracker,
Of war quality,
With the darker-cast of Hoover flourThe simple soda cracker,
Fallen on evil days;
And Private Samarski,
Soldier of fortune,
Bound for France,
Falls to munching it— Falls to munching it— To rolling it under his tongue

Tenderly, clumsily,
And toys with its eating,
And rolls it under his tongue,
Makes you know,
Somehow, and surely,
That a simple soda cracker,
Dark with the flour of evil days,
Is lifting the fog in Private Samarski's
soul.

John P. Roche, Lt., Q.M.C.

To the Editor of THE STARS AND STRIPES:
We of the Engineers (Forestry) have read and enjoyed your excellent journal ever since its entrance into an all-balled-up world, and we have noted the achievements of other outlits with just pride, and we have read of the superb lighting qualities of the Yank doughbor, and we're giad. But never once have you mentioned the guys—unhonored and unsung—that have produced the lumber for all the docks, warehouses, hospitals, barracks, etchat the other chaps have put up, and that have produced the ties that the Engineers (Italiway) have laid down and strewn with steel.

But What I mean,

We have cut some lumb Yeah, and we've had Generals And etter ginks And ettern and give us The Once Over The dear General, He said Our stables weren't so Sanitary

Sanitary
As he liked. And he wanted to kno

So, in a moment of reckless abandon I sat me down and dashed off this melancholy frag-nent: THE LAMENT OF THE FORESTRY ENGINEERS.

know it's a damn long war? got two service stripes and all that,

But
They don't make the grub
Any better. Mostly it's
Slum, and beans, and
Salmon. Salmon.
God!
How I hate that fish.
We've been down here in the wilderness for
A whole year,
Making slabs and sawdust and
Sometimes boards
Out of Logs.
We've worked all day and fought
Fire all night. That's all the
Fighting we've seen—and we had
Beaucoup of that.

Fo the Editor of THE STARS AND STRIPES; While, of course, it isn't strictly ethical to give out the statement of preferences on individuals' qualification cards, nevertheless, in going over a number of cards one struck me as particularly funny.

Under this question, Branch of service preferred, this particular man wrote, "Top Segent," and under the question, Talent for furnishing public entertainment, he says.

"Picks guitar a little."

J. A. Purcell, 1st Lt., A.G.O.

ALONG THE RHINE

To Make Sure He Stays Down

"AND WHERE WAS YOU IN FRANCE?"

It was the year 1928, in a quiet little New] England village. The D.A.R.'s and the Sons of Veterans and the Loyalty League were holding a commemoration meeting in the par-lors of the County Historical Society.

lors of the County Historical Society.

The speaker, a stout, husky, florid individual of some 38 or 40 years, was waxing quite elequent about the "gurrand old flag." Lovingly he caressed the silken emblem on the reading desk before him as he recounted the deeds of valor done by the men who followed it. Reginning with the Boston Massacre, he gradually wound his tortnous way down to the year 1018, and was still going strong.

Next week's Farmington Valley Courier dismissed the speech in one line. The speaker decided that, after all, his law practice would not permit of his running for the State legis-lature in the fall.

It was the year 1998, in a thriving and hustling American city whose population ran up into six figures. A monster political raily was being held one evening in the big Beechwood auditorium.

The speaker, a tail, muscular man, well preserved and in his forty-eighth or fiftieth year, was a candidate for the seat in the United States Senate open at that fail's election. He made a splendid figure as he stood out on the rostrum, clad in a Prince Albert open enough to show a gorgeous expanse of white waistcoat girded by a gold watch chain learing the-emblems of every secret society under the sun.

He was a good talker, and made his points

sorce, he gradually wound his tortnous was sorce, he gradually wound to tortnous was lower to the year 1918, and was still going strong.

"Int ah, my fellow citizens," he exclaimed, "those were the days when we saw Old Glory drance against the servied ranks of the Trussian Guards on the old Alsace front transmit the minors of the Hapsburgs as they stood massed before us on the fields of Flanders; against the terrible Turks, whom we met and conquered at Chalteu-Thierry." Just then a hardy, weatherbeaten individual who, from the way he worked the colin the corner of his face, obviously did not belong." The seelect atmosphere of the his torical society parlors but had Just happened in sistert.

Then he arose. Pointing a forefinger, the first joint of which was missing, straight at the speaker, he inquired.

"Say Mister, where was you in France?"

The audience visibly fluttered. Interruptions simply don't happen in well regulated historical society meetings. In fact, the female portion of the audience—the majority that is—audibly gasped.

"I—in France."

"Yes, mister; where was you in France?"

"Why, ve-er—" the speaker attempted, but the words would not come.

"I flought so," the hardy, weatherbeaten interlocutor remarked drily, "Thanks."

The questioner tiptoed out of the hall. When he reached the door he gave one good spit and made the guiter, 30 feet away, with a curracy and precision. Thus releved, he walked home.

Inside the hall, the speaker antenpoted, he walked home.

Inside the hall, the speaker antenpoted to gou. But his

UNSUNG

Slum was. A Colonel said We were Roses
Born to blush unseen.
We don't get no
Medals
But we work like hell.
We've had a lot of brand new lieuts
For skippers. We taught
Them how to saw-mill; and one To the Editor of THE STARS AND STRIPES

Them how to saw-mill; and one Wept Because we didn't bow down before him And give thanks Because he bought us cabbages and tomato Out of our own mess fund. Say!
Ain't this man's Army A queer proposition? But at that we've had a heap of fun And lapped up our share of This foolish French booze—

Beer.
Say, guy—
What would you give to see
That big old Statue
There in the bay
And all them high buildings
Shining white in the sun?
And to slap your old feet
Down on that same
-Broadway
We used to know?
Gee, guy,
That would be hard to take.
Damn the Germans
Anyway.

Pyt. Richard W

Pvt. Richard W. Batten, Engrs. (Forestry).

PREFERENCE

To the Editor of THE STARS AND STRIPES

HELLO, SISTER!

To the Editor of THE STARS AND STRIPES:
This is the first time I have come into touch with any other paper than those of England,—Wates, Ireland and Scotland, and a little bird, with a wickedly impudent smile, whispered into my car last night: "Try America!"
The proposition was so startling that I dropped the brush with which I was brushing my hair onto the toe of a sister Waac, with lively results. After the air had cleared considerably, I sat down and meditated thusly: "Can a Waac judge an American editor by the American boys in the C.R.O., or not?" Upon my horizon dawried the words: "Try him!"
When we came over here, tired, worn out, and travel stained, we got into out huts with conflicting feelings. For we were somewhat shy-of our unseen Uncle Sam. What we said was: "Well, these huts are just too confortable for words; if the Americans are unything like the huts...!"
. Time told. The Americans were quite like the luts—oh, no! not in appearance please, even though they are so huge, but—well, they are just as comfortable. They are brothers,

the huts—oh, no! not in appearance please, even though they are so huge, but—well, they are just as comfortable. They are brothers, and such great-big brothers, aren't they? I notice, more than anything, the general atmosphere of "protector," and the words "little sister" seems to shine from them. "Tis great, Mr. Editor.

Of course we are considerably amused at each other's ways. There are such heaps of things we do, which, these brothers of ourse susure use, our American sisters never do! And such heaps of things we do not do, and which they do.

they do.

While we are extremely formal in many ways, we are, so they say, surprisingly informal in others.

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Then there is the trouble of repeating sentences over and over before you get the cheery laughing: "Oh yees! I get you, kiddo!" Another thing we girls admire is "Yankee honsety." Before one of these boys takes you to a football match, out to tea, or for a walk after office hours are over, he takes out a case of most enchanting photographs, and, squatting on an office chair backwards, with one hand rubbing his hair, and the other busy sorting the pictures, he tells you which of the four girls in front of that picturesque building called "home" is his, which two are his sisters, and which is his girl's sister.

The other sampshots run thusly: This is my mother over there in God's country. I had a letter from her only this morning. This, is my old dad, one of the best! This is self, girl and machine—gee! the pienies we used to get in! Miles and miles we've run over in that little machine, kid. Here's a better one of my girl, she never makes a good photograph—she's-prettier than that." (Pause here to hear all about his girl's talents, etc.)

Oh, it's great, Mr. Editor! Then the dear boy says: "Like to come out and get some tea, kiddo? Yon're as if yon'd like it. I know a jolly old shop down town."

To the jolly old shop we then betake ourselves, and feel we are on an eignal footing—and enjoy ourselves accordingly. We girls admire this American trait more than anything, hacuse, you see, we nearly all of us retailate by showing then reasured photographs of the stately homes of England, and our own dear boys, some of whom are over here in England, having been over here, and some, Mr. Editor are photographs of those who gave their all some while ago, for Britain's sake, and ours.

There is much aughing banter, between the whiles, too. Somebody comes in with a STARS AND STRIEFS. "We all" "The wurk's area.

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AND STRIFES. "Me.al!" The war's over
right now! Kaiser's been shot, or is being
slot by his own grandson, at dawn. Austria's
done for itself, and we'll all be getting away!"
"Back to God's country, old kid!" from the
hovs.

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"Back to God's country, old kid!" from the
boys.
"Back to Blightly, girls!" from us.
"All you girls think of is Blighty — and
TEA!" they ery.
"All you think of is God's country—and
maple syrup!" we refort. Laughter.
Your dances are very amusing, too, but
we like them. One of the boys runs a
very much patrolized dancing class, in our
Rec. Hut, and we are getting quite expert
in Castle walking—fox trotting and Yankee
gliding. But I am very certain that we could
never teach our big husky brothers to dance
out dainty dances! They could never concentrate on our walizes, veletas, polkas,
lancers, quadrilles, Sir Rogers, etc., etc. They
have such big boots. I told one of them so,
and he promptly looked down as if meditating
upon the area of them, sank into deep thought
for a few seconds, then with a melanchyl expression in his big brown eyes, he said, in
stentorian tones: "Gee! I don't know that I couldn't,
either!" He wouldn't be walked on, you see!
Their goes the bugle for lights out. Oh,
and I Ad such a lot of things to tell you!

Split His Features Lined With Grins Most Beatific

SIGNED, SOME C. O.

AND THEN—HE GOT THIS

Order Out-We Don't Know Wha It's All About, but Read it-

O.G. No. -111:

HEADQUARTERS PREMIERE

ARMEE OF G-WHIZ Europe, 11 November, 1918.
From 11 H Nov. 11, 1918 to 11:11 H
Nov. 11, 1918.

1. Hostile Situation at Beginning of the Day:

Artillery and infantry belonging to the enemy are running very rapidly across the German border. Pursued by Yauks and British tanks, who joined the rush of dashing Franks, Huns ran in great disorder.

Interrogated prisoners say they might come back another day and start again the interrogated prisoners say they might the say they might they say

3. Hostile Movements, Changer and Conduct During the Day

Boche infantry across the Mense, ar-tillerymen, machine gun crews got so mixed up they could not choose to tarry any longer. They couldn't see relief ahead, for if they stayed, they'd all be dead, and so they went straight home to bed, where they knew they'd be stronger.

4. Maps Illustrating the Above:

Own Situation at Beginning of the Day:

the Day:

Herewith, behold in full display, the 1st U.S. in grand array on this, its latest fighting day, prepared to make a wind-up. An end run or an on-side kick, as forward pass or any trick would be successful mighty quick with these divisions lined up:

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On the bench--6-77-78-36-29-3-15-D.I.C. 10-D.I.C.

Own Changes, Movements and Actions During the Day:

As one division moved ahead, another arted back instead, a third walked ack and forth till dead and thereby ade Improvement. For every unifferry day came in or out, but didn't cay; they had to shift, and so we say Considerable movement."

information Received from Neighboring Units:

Neighboring Units:

The army to the left of us put up a most ungodly fuss because we chased Fritz in a bus and landed in their sector. But if we had not gone right through to Sedan, then could we accrue a fag tonight? I ask of you. You answer, "No, by Hector." And on our right the Second stands and stands a

8. Orders Received:

We've orders, orders everywhere, so many that we can but stare and wonder how in hell and where they were originated. We read them back and forward, too, and then we don't know what to do; though once again we look them through, they leave us agitated.

9. Action During the Day and Orders Issued and Received:

The doughboy hald his pack aside, the iron ration still inside, and opened up his jacket wide and sailed right in, by thunder! He tore them right; he tore them left and laughed while he used all that heft, for every German's bean was cleft, he reat the Hun asunder. Behind him, too, artillery roared, while overhead the big shells soared and into Germany battries bored—my soul, it was attractive! But 'way above them in the sky they looked in vain for things that fly—report on; "visibility shy, acroplance inactive."

10. Result of Action. Both Own

fly—report on: "visibility shr, acroplanes inactive."

10. Result of Action, Both Own and Enemy:

A hundred thousand captured Huns, A million more or less of guns, deloused machines and tons and tons of German made commodities. Some cannons, and some cooking stoves, and generals, captains, other coves were chased behind in droves and droves along with other oddities. Our line extends from left to right along the Meuse, thence to the height of Brandeville and out of sight, it really is too long to note. We've captured many a town and wood and hill and vale where towns have stood, we've taken everything we should and tied the can to Wille's goat.

Wounded Prisoner Beaten

Wounded Prisoner Beaten and vale where towns have stood, we've taken everything we should and tied the can to Willie's goat.

11. Maps Illustrating Above: See paragraph No. 4.

12. Estimate of the Situation:

This is this! And that is that! And ho is who and what is what! Such thoughts are running neath our hat in mighty cogitation. To find a phase with which to cope we tried, but now there is no hope; we must announce our latest dope, "There ain't no situation."

13. Plans for Future:

*Exit at 32nd Street, a wild, mad dash across the street until, the rails beneath our feet, we'll cross the gin mil's border. We've quite resolved to never think, we only want to sit and drink and drink and drink and drink; "Here, waiter, take the order."

14. Remarks:

The captured roads are poor to fair, supplies are normal everywhere, morale is quite beyond compare, the men are all in clover. The visibility now is fine, there are no Germans on the Rhine, so let's uncork a little wine. THE DAMNED OLD WAR IS OVER.

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"The war is over. You're free. America is fine, and we're all going there after the war."

A criminal investigation division is to be organized from among the officers and men-of the Military Police Corps without delay, according to the provisions of G.O. 217. To the number of troops assigned to the new organization may be added a number of civilian operatives at such rates of pay and allowances as the Commander-in-Chief may authorize from time to time.

"Investigation of criminal matters pertalming to the A.E.F." is to be henceforth one of the duties of the M.P.'s, in addition to those with which they have already been charged. The new list of duties for the wearers of the red hatband includes, among other things, command of the Military Police Training Depot at Autum, co-operating with the Allied police authorities and with the Intelligence Section police, custody of prisoners of war, and the general control of road traffic throughout the A.E.F. It is further directed that the headquarters of the M.P.'s are to be established without delay at Chaumont, to be attached direct to G.H.Q. So spoke the German guards in Co-

after the war."

So spoke the German guards in Cologne as, the day following the signing of the armistice, they released three American soldiers, prisoners of war since last April. These Yanks are now at St. Nazaire awaiting a bout home.

About seven days before fighting ceased, the talk of unrest that had been heard came to a head, they asserted, and the soldiers guarding the American prisoners cut off their straps of rank and tied red bunds on their arms. According to the excaptives—Prt. W. I. Quinn, Company B, 102nd Machine Gun Battalion, Prt. S. I. Torok, Company D, 102nd Infantry, and Private Lewis Becker, it was the civilians in Germany who first started the revolution.

"They worked hard all day," said Quinn, referring to the citizens of Cologne, "and held their agitation meetings at night. In the wildest days just before the war ended, when German officers were shot dead on the streets for any sustained the continued to work steadily. Never was the work neglected.

"As soon as it was over, however, they went mad. Crowds of civilians marched singing through the streets. They were afraid to go very far, for a while, because of the soldiers. The army was still with the government, although many soldiers on furlough forgot to go back and went around agitating.

Navy. With Civilians

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Quint told one story of crueity to a Yankee prisoner. The soldier suffered from blood poisoning and asked for treatment. The wound was cut open, wrapped in paper and he was sent back to work. His work required both hands and when he refused to keep at it and to a sked for other work, he was beaten with the butt end of a gun. The beaten with the butt end of a gun. The beaten with the butt end of a gun. The beaten with the butt end of a gun. The beaten with the butt end of a gun. The beaten with the butt end of a gun. The beaten with the butt end of a gun. The beaten with the was done by the guard while the sergent looked on. However, as the American still refused to do the work, he was given new duties that left his wounded hand free.

The Germans were wildly happy when the fighting stopped, and shouted their praises of President Wilson.

"The United States is the greatest to best soldiers. We will see-you over there after the war," was their parting word to the Yanks.

When freed, the three went to Lingburg by train and from there to Metz. But Metz they were turned loose and told the front was only a "short six kilos away." They found it was 20 kilos and the trip took two days of walking across 'Dead Man's Land." But for their Red Cross boxes they would have starved.

BORDEAUX OPENS UP TRAFFIC COP SCHOOL

It Used to Take 40 Minutes to Cross the River,

but Now-

Things have changed some since George H. Robertson, speed maniac, won the Vanderbilt cup race in 1908.

For instance, that saine daredevil driver is now a major, and, as provost marshal at Bordeaux, is engaged in establishing and enforcing up-to-date traffic regulations patterned on those of New York City.

So successful has the work been, particularly in speeding up traffic and eliminating congestion on the five-eighthsof-a-mile-long bridge forming the main artery between the eastern and western banks of the Gironde river, that Major Robertson has won the complete co-operation of the French. And now, in order that the work may be put on a par with that of any large American city, a school for turning out efficient traffic cops is to be established.

Forty Minutes Cut to Four

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Forty Minutes Cut to Four It used to take from 15. to 40 minutes for an Army truck to cross the bridge. Today it takes four. Traffic, particularly that having to do with automobiles, is a hobby with Major Robertson, and he at last secured the written permission of the mayor of Bordeaux to try and work some order out of the hodge-podge of push carts, two-wheeled wagons, automobiles, trucks, dogs and pedestrians ordinarily found on the streets of a French city. Men

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experienced in the regulation of traffic were placed at all the principal corners of Bordeaux, and 12 stations, in charge of officers and traffic men, were estab-lished across the length of the bridge over the Gironde. French drivers at first resented the interference in their affairs, but when the real value of the regulations was realized this resentment changed to co-operation.

realized this resentment changed to coperation. Heavy, slow-moving vehicles were compelled to keep next to the curb in crossing the bridge, and auto-driven vehicles were made to follow the street car limit as a law preventing the overloading of french trucks was enforced and also the law limiting the speed of American automobiles. The result was quickly order instead of chaos, more speed and fewer accidents.

Traffic Company Formed

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The traffic problem which the Americans were up against can readily be realized when it is stated that, by actual count, during an average nine hours a total of 7,920 vehicles crossed the bridge, in addition to horses, cattle, sheep and pedestrians. The count did not include street cars.
The working out of the traffic problem at Bordeaux has resulted in the formation of a company of 200 men which is known as the Traffic Division. This company is commanded by a captain, two first lientenants and two second lieutenants. The entire personnel is to be given a course in the traffic school. Every man in the company was selected for this special duty from the handpicked M.P. organization of 1,600 men.

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When we all went down to the station to see Jim off, Tip went along, proud as cuffy. Of course Jim made much of him, had him jump up on the old empty made much of him, had him jump up on the old empty express-truck and put him through all his dozen tricks. Made him roll over, play dead, stand on his head, chase his tail and all the rest. It sure lightened up those "goodbyes." And when the train started off Tip stood there and wagged his tail slower and slower and slower, 'til the train disappeared around the curve. That dog sure moped some for Jim, and day after day he went down to the station and sat looking wist-fully down the track toward the head. The con-

fully down the track toward the bend. norning the troop-trains began coming through. For the first couple of days, whenever a train stopped for a few minutes, Tip would go hurrying about looking for Jim. The third morning he found his range, however. He went straight to the old express-truck and began doing his tricks.

Yes, sir, every morning he goes down and runs a little entertainment of his own for the chaps in khaki. Does every trick he knows—does 'em well, too! I tell you he makes a hit every time.

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the French.

During the evening they also attacked Hill 142, south of Bussiaros, but were dispersed by the arrillery. The fighting had been violent and more or less confused, and the 2nd Division had suffered losses of between 200 and 300 men, but everywhere the line had held, and it is safe to say that the struggle of the night of June 4 marked the faction and of the German push for Paris in this the German push for Paris in this tion, as it was marked at practically same time a little turther east by repulse inflicted upon the enemy in

the repulse indicted upon the enemy in Chattean-Thierary. That night the situation all along the front was improved by the relief of the tired 33rd French Division by the 187th Division, on the left of the 2nd, and that of the 187th Division, by the 4th Cavalry Division, on the right, while the 2nd and that of the 187th Division, by the 4th Cavalry Division, on the right, while the 2nd itself was strengthened by having its left flank drawn in several kilometers, from the 180s de Venilly to the road between Russiares and Champillon, and by the introduction into the line of the 23rd Infantry. The division front, shortened to about line kilometers, now stood, from right to left; 30th Infantry, 23rd Infantry, (constituting the 3rd Infantry Brigade, under Brig. Gen. E. M. Lewis); Gth Marines, 5th Marines (constituting the 4th Infantry, or Marine, Brigade, under Brig. Gen. James G. Harbord).

Third at Chateau-Thierry

In the meantine, searcely more than five kilometers cast of the 2nd Division. In fact, so near that biasion was some on to be established between the two American organizations. In fact, so near that biasion was allowed to the established between the two American organizations. In the streets of Châtean-Thierry a name worthy to stand beside that of Fordericksburg, Va.

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Fertesur-Aube, far to the rear, when its orders came on May 30 to move at once to the battle front. Less fortunate than the 2nd Division, it was not from the first to do its ighthing as a body. Its instructions, which were carried out-practically unmodified by later developments, were that the 5th Infantry Brigade, under kirg. Gen. Fred W. Shaden, consisting of the 4th and 7th Infantry and the 8th Machine Gun Hattallon, should be attached to the 6th French Army, commanded by General Degoutte, and assigned to the defense of the passages of the Marne from Château-Thierry to Dormans.

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Machine Gunners in Thick of It As it bappened, except for a heavy engagement in the Jaulgome bend of the Marne, where the enemy was haited north of the river, the intense fighting of most of the divisions was not to come for a time, but the 7th Machine Gun Battalion was in it from the moment it reached the front. With 150 kilometers of weary road march behind it and 36 hours without sleep it ploided into Château-Thierry at 6 o'clock on the afternoon of the 31st under bursting shells and be to add little to its great gains of the previous day, the right was in possession was not to come for a time, but the 7th Machine Gun Battalion was in it from the moment it reached the front. With 150 kilometers of weary road march behind it and 36 hours without sleep it ploided into Château-Thierry at 6 o'clock on the afternoon of the 3th under bursting sleep and the Bois de Bellean as far as the left of the line had been able to add little to its great gains of the previous day, the right was in possession of Bouresches and had pushed into the Rois de Reliena as far as the left of the line had been able to add little to its great gains

certain supply of food and ammunition.

Germans Angrily at Bay

It was not sufficient that the enemy had been stopped. Now that a firm line of defense was established, it became imperative that he he pushed back from the observation posts and strong points which he had seized on the left side of the Ru Gobert, so that the Americans could dominate at least the vailey of that stream.

On June 4 the best information available indicated that the enemy was employing not less than 33 divisions, about 300,000 men, on the whole front of this offensive. Of these, the 197th Division was confronting the 2nd United States, it had tried to smash through the latter, had suffered bloody repulse and was now standing angelty at lay. Could the Yanks do better in a line plunge? Could they keep it up longer? The time had arrived to find out.

At 5 o'clock on the morning of June 5, in conjunction with the 197th French Division on the left, the 1st and 3rd Battalions of the 5th Marines swept out through the broken woodlands that clothe the hill crests north of Champillon in an assault whose objectives were looking down into the open valley about Tory and Bussiares.

They were met by an intense machine gun and rifle fire, but pushed on, and at 7:10 a.m. had obtained all their objectives and were in command of the valley at this point. It was during this advance that, among many other deeds of valor, 1st Lieut Albert P. Baston, shot through both legs, enraned for himself a D.S.C. by refusing to receive treatment until he had seen to it that every man in his platoon was under cover and in a good firing position. The dash of the 167th French Division gained for it like success, and at 7 o'clock it also was lirmly established on the dominiaing beights, west of the 5th Marines.

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But the very fact that the left of the
2nd Division had now advanced made it
necessary that the center should be
trought up also, in the direction of Bel-leau village and Bourèsches. Accord-ingly, at 5 p.m., the 5th and 6th Martines
and the 23rd Infantry assaulted for an
objective line extending along the val-ley from a point a little distance east
of Bussiares to the eastern edge of
Bourèsches.

It was the bitterest struggle that had

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During these weeks the 2nd Division had opposing it at different times on various parts of its front the following German divisions, wholly or in part; the 197th (which was relieved about June 11); the 197th (which was relieved about June 11); the 197th (relieved about June 21); the 28th (relieved about June 21); the 28th (relieved about June 21); the 38th Guard; the 23th, and the 87th, of which the last was known as "the Aluminum Division."

In the meantime, the only relief enjoyed in the 2nd Division was by three lattations of the Marines, whose places were taken for five days, from June 16 to 21, by the three battations of the 7th Infantry, 3rd Division. It was small wonder that the Germans thought, as one of them expressed it in a captured letter, that "the American divisions are still too liery."

Up to July 1 this American division, against the most powerful opposition that the German army could exert, land advanced its front by dogged, unrelaxing pressure an average distance of over two kilometers and had taken more than

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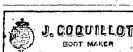
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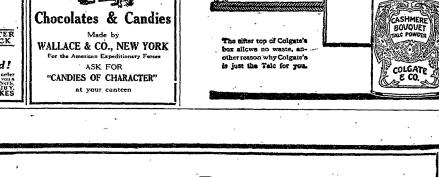
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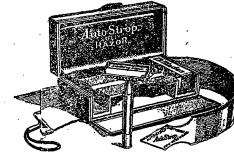
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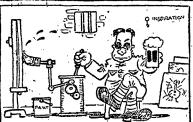
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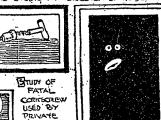
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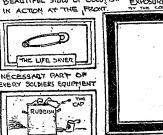
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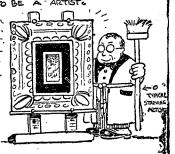


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LONG JOURNEY FOR YANK WHO

Officer, Wounded While Seeking Rations, Gets Surprise at P.C.

TWO RUNNERS RENDER AID

Liaison Men Ignore Licutenant's Warning to Take Shelter and Draw Fire Instead

All this happened, it need bardly be stated, when the war was still a perfectly healthy war, before the 77's had lost their kick or 75's their ability to make suitable response.

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The first battalion of an Infantry regiment in the 77th Division was holding on. It had to hold on a good two and one-half kilometers from its jumping-off place at the edge of the Argonne forest for the simple reason that the division supposed to come up on the left had not gone that far, owing to difficulties of the terrain and the stubbornness of enemy rearguards. And the woods between the battalion and the rest of the regiment were chuck full of Germans.

On the second day rations were not so heaped up as they might be, nor was anumunition. The problem was to get word back to, the regimental P.G.

Accordingly, a young lieutenant who acted as his son officer and battalion adjutant and two of his runners. Jack Munsen and Sam Hirschowitz, found themselves, after an afternoon of fruitless search for the first two on three runners who had been strewn along the battalion's northward trail, the ultimate ment. Together they for sook the heaten paths over which they had come romping up on the first day of the attack, and, compasses and maps in hand, started to steer southward."

Lying Doggo in Underbrush

This was about 7:30 in the evening, in bellies, knees and hands they wriggled their way through the dense under-brush, lying doggo whenever they heard

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Finally, they decided to take a chance
on making fister tracks in a more
nearly upright position. Skulking at
three-quarters height, taking advantage
of every bit of underbrush, they sped on
their way. Then, suddenly, out from
behind a cluster of brush, not 20 feet
away, popped up the heads of three German officers.

"Down!" whispered the licutenant to
the two runners. Cautiously the licutenant raised his head—and also his pistol arm. Over the top of the brush just
beyond he could see the gleam of a
luger's barrel. But he could also see
the forehead of the Hun officer.

Both fired. The Hun fell back, shot
through the forehead. His two comrades fied. The shot from his pistol
had just cut the American licutenant's
forearm.

Ooze Instead of Crawl

Bandaging his forcarm, the lieutenant and the two runners crawled on. Before they had gone far they were acutely aware thut progress in an easterly direction also would be unwise, for they could hear German voices all about them shouting, "Achtung! Amerikliner!" and could sense that a general beating of the bush in their locality was in progress. From then on they coaed rather than crawled until they got to a clump of bushes sheltering a little hole hardly big enough for three.

Lying there in the dark, they heard German reliefs being posted. For an hour or two they listened, trying to divine whence the voices came. Then they made a startling discovery.

"Boys," whispered the lieutenant, "those voices first came from over thore toward the west, and then from the north and west. Now they seem to be coming from all around us. We're survounded. It's a case of cut and run."

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The Lieutenant's Plan

"Room here for two to hide in the bottom of this hole," he said. "I'll make a jump for it and they'll think I'm the only one. You know the lay of the land from here on, and after they get in. So long."

He straggled clear of the shelter, took one quick look around, and then made a dash for it.

The bullets were around him in an instant. They clipped the grass about him. He turned just once to look and say that both Munson and Hirschowitz, regardless of their own safety, had sprung up and were both running in

WITH THE YANK IN LONDON TOWN

The greatest city in the world was not on the calling, list of the vast majority of men in the ALET. Few cuough have seen Paris, but probably a hundred have visited Paris for every one who has been in London. Troops who handed at Liverpool or "rested" in southern England on their way to France may have caught more or less distant glimpses of the metropolis, with or without leave, and of course the little group of Americans stationed at Base Section No. 3 headquarters got to know it pretty well. A few men with relatives in the littlish Isles have also had at least a flecting look, at the city.

But no American soldiers reached London as out and out visitors in any considerable quantity until the men of the 27th and 30th Divisions, after fighting with the British from Flanders to the Somme, enting British rations, and drinking British tea, were allowed the British soldier's recompense—a trip to Blighty.

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The M.P. follows the Army, unless he goes ahead of it, and, of course, there are M.P.'s in London. If the soldier visitor is on this good behavior, and has the documents to prove his right to be there, he is mighty glad, to have the M.P.'s around. They know the town.

"How can I get to Holborn?" you ask the M.P.
"Nineteen 'bus," he answers without

and their reputation of oring the man-est paid fighters on any front, past or present.

An American was sitting on the top deck of a motor omnibus when an Aus-sie climbed up and sat down beside him.

"Ay. Yank."

"Ah there. Aussie."

"Well heeled, Yank?"

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Now even though several million men have been fighting together, and risking their lives for each other and all that-still there are limits, especially when a perfect stranger broaches another per-fect stranger on the subject of a loan. At least, it looked like a bid for a loan. So the Yank, not wanting to seen in-hospitable, framed a little white lie.

"Well. I don't know. You see, we haven't been paid yet."

"Fine," said the Australian. "Phen let me pay your fare."

America in London is the Navy, not the Army. You will see i dozen Yanks in blue for one in O.D. You call them salior, and they call you soldier. Also, to their immense credit, they do not try to tell you the story of the American who walked all over town looking for the Church of England.

An enlisted man in the Air Service

opposite directions, the better to draw fire from him and help him to escape. Ahead of him he saw a funk-hole. It slid for it, leaped in, and came down directly astride a Boche. In front of him a bigger Buche towered, just in the act of pulling his shirt off.

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"Was ist los?" said the licutenant. It was all the German he knew. The big Boche paused half way through the operation of pulling off his shirt. It was well over his eyes. "Was ist los?" he repeated. "Was ist."

"He reeled back, shot twice through the breast. Emptying his revolver through the back ribs of the man under him, the licutenant gained the rim of the hole and started for a knot of trees. There he lay, with the muferings of Germans sounding now faint, now near. A drenching rain began to fall.

Four hours went by. It was about 3.30 in the morning. Not having heard any Germans for some time, the lientenant raised his head. Pretty soon it would be getting light.

With another look at his compass, on and out and south he crawled, his wounded forearm paining him every time he tried to lean on it. For three hours he went on playing dead Indian every time he heard anything that resembled the sound of a scouring German.

An hour later he pulled himself up to attention before his colonel.

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No Let-Up in Nation's Aim to Put the Flag Again on All Seven Seas

[BY CABLETO THE STARS AND STRIPES] AMERICA, Dec. 12.—Our Navy has not only become decidedly big, but the House naval committee, considering naval appropriations for 1920, has developed the fact that the American Navy, in that year, will be double what it was 7n 1917.

No comparison has been made public.

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No comparison has been made public as to capital ships, but announcement has been made that the number of all ships will be about \$500. Twenty-four dreadmaguits have been planned for the fleet by 1920. These new number 19, and five others will be built before July, 1920. Three hundred and fifty new destroyers also will be completed by that time.

Dishonorable discharge from the Army has come back again onto the list of military punishments as a result of the approach of pence. G.O. 217 specifically states that so much of a previous order form G.H.Q. as requires the retention of general court-martial prisoners with their organizations and the non-imposition of the discharge, is revoked.

Soldiers in combat units who are sentenced to confinement for more than six months will not be retained with their units, the order goes on to say, but will be sent to the Military Irison Camp at St. Sulpice, just onliside Bordeux: No sentence, the order adds, should impose more than six months' confinement at hard labor unless the sentence also includes dishonorable discharge.

The discharge in disgrace is to be imposed, the order directs, on soldiers convicted of larceny or other offences involving moral turpitude, with the addition of such confinement, sentences as their cases may warrant. It is further directed that reviewing authorities should freely exercise the power of suspension given them by the 52nd Article of War, as amended by the Army Appropriation Act of July 9, 1918.

All general prisoners, and all prisoners having on the receipt of G.O. 217 more than six months' confinement to serve, and now retained with their units, are to be sent to St. Sulpice. Their commanding officers are ordered to send to the commander of the prison camp, in addition to the papers required by regulations, reports showing the prisoners conduct while in confinement, the character of the work done, whether in combat or otherwise, and such other facts as may indicate whether or not remission of all or a part of the sentences should be made. and now retained with their units, are to be sent to St. Sulpice. Their commanding officers are ordered to send to the commander of the prison camp, in addition to the papers required by regulations, reports showing the prisoners' conduct while in confinement, the character of the work done, whether in combat or otherwise, and such other facts as may indicate whether or not remission of all or a part of the sentences should be made.

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American plays, vaudeville and moving pictures will be transported up to the regions abatt the Rhine by the Y.M.C.A.'s entertainment department as fast as they can be transported up there.

Edward D. Cray, the first regional Y secretary of the S.O.S., has gone into the region of occupation to do what he can in the line of hiring German movie houses and theaters in which to put on American shows. Where these cannot be obtained, the Y nuts will be used.

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Monsieur Huart's Story



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Financial quotations, like the date of the peace treaty, are nothing for mere man to prognosticate, but before long it will take fewer than 5.45 francs to buy one O.D. dollar.

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The sad part of the whole sad story is that ithe rise of the franc is not primarily due to the victories of the Allied arms. All these have helped but the rent offender is the American soldier. If he would only come to France broke, all might be well. But he doesn't The Q.M.C. estimates that the amount

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of paper money, meaning good old American greenbacks, brought into France by the inpouring American Arm; has averaged \$10 per man. This is without counting officers. Count they officers, who are far fewer in number but manage to tote more of the stuff with them, and the grand average gises, to \$15.

Where the Dollars Go

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Arrived in France, the soldier sells
the dollars for as much as he can getfor them—probably around 5.30, sometimes even less. The result is the estalishment in France, through American
reasury notes, of a substantial credit
balance against the United States.
The \$10 average, too, does not toclude the money which the soldler may,
have brought with him in traveler's
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Prior to the armistice a plan was being considered whereby troops in the army zone—troops, that is, in the line or not very far behind it—might have been paid wholly in paper money. A French financial commission, which had been considering the question with American and British military officials present in an advisory capacity, was debating the practicability of issuing paper notes of half franc, franc and two frame denominations. This step would not have been taken because of any depreciation of French currency. The reason was the shortage of actual metal.

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LETTER OF SYMPATHY

Maj. Gen. John Biddle, commanding Base Section No. 3 (England), has re-ceived from the British Admiralty a letter written by Mrs. Winifred David-son, wife of Captain Davidson of the British Navy, requesting that an ex-pression of her sympathy be conveyed to the relatives of the Americans who lost their lives in the wreck of the steamer Otranto.

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She also expresses her pride "that Caplain Davidson is buried with so many of the American soldiers he tried so hard to save."

A detachment of American Engineers stationed at the Knotty Ash embarkation camp, near Liverpool, formed the burial party that cared for the victims of the Otranto disaster, which resulted in the greatest single loss of American troops en route to Europe. The burial party, probably the largest ever made up in the A.E.F., went out to the island of Islay, off Liverpool, to lay the men from the Otranto to rest beside many of their brothers who were lost on the Tuscania.

FRONT CHEVRON PLANNED

A distinctive chevron to be worn by men of the A.E.F. who, saw service in the front line or in actual combat is under consideration, but no decision upon- it has been announced yet. Whether or not a chevron for officers and men mobilized in the United States who did not get to France will be authorized is now being considered in Washington.

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